

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

| | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Application Number | 10/572,503 |
| Confirmation Number | 4387 |
| Filing Date | March 17, 2006 |
| First Named Inventor | Kazumi MATSUZAKI |
| Art Unit | 3656 |
| Examiner Name | Marcus Charles |
| Attorney Docket Number | Q93727 |

U.S. PATENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Patent Number | Kind Code ¹ | Issue Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|--------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|---|
| | | | | | | |

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Publication Number | Kind Code ¹ | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|---|
| | | | | | | |

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Foreign Document Number ³ | Country Code ² | Kind Code ⁴ | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T ⁵ |
|--------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|---|----------------|
| /M.C./ | 1. | 3-52417 | JP | U | 1991-05-21 | NTN Co., Ltd. | | Yes |
| /M.C./ | 2. | 4-266410 | JP | A | 1992-09-22 | NTN Toyo Bearing Co., Ltd. | | Yes |
| /M.C./ | 3. | 4-282018 | JP | A | 1992-10-07 | NTN Toyo Bearing Co., Ltd. | | Yes |

NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published. | T ⁵ |
|--------------------|---------|--|----------------|
| /M.C./ | | Japanese Office Action (with translation) (4 pages) | Yes |

EXAMINER SIGNATURE

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Examiner Signature | /Marcus Charles/ | Date Considered | 07/06/2010 |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO.GOV or MPEP 901.04. 2 Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 3 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 4 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 5 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.